RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER

PATENT Attorney Docket No.: ROC920010309US1

PS Ref. No.: IBMK10309

APR 1 9 2006

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Timothy Roy Block et al.

๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛

Serial No.: 10/057,188

Mail Stop AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Confirmation No.: 5299

January 25, 2002

For: NODE SELF-START IN A

DECENTRALIZED CLUSTER

Group Art Unit: 2157

Examiner: Yves Dalencourt

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mall Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, or facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to fax number 571-273-8300 to the attention of Examiner Yves Dalancourt, on the date shown below:

Joseph Jone

April 19, 2006

Date

Dear Sir.

P.O. Box 1450

Filed:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The Applicant(s) and the Attorney who signs below on the basis of the information supplied by the inventor(s) and the information in his file submit herewith patents, publications, or other information of which they are aware, which may be material to the examination of this application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56.

While the information submitted in this Information Disclosure Statement may be material pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56, it is not intended to constitute an admission that any patent, publication, or other information referred to therein is prior art for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

04/20/2006 AKELECH1 00000011 090465 10057188

01 FC:1806

180.00 DA

1

459075 1

PATENT

21003/013

Attorney Docket No.: ROC920010309US1

PS Ref. No.: IBMK10309

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.97, this Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no other possibly material information as defined under 37 CFR § 1.56(a) exists.

The patents and/or publications submitted herewith are set forth on the attached Form PTO-1449.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the sum of \$180.00, due under 37 CFR § 1.17(p) pursuant to § 1.97, and any other fee necessary to make this submission timely, to the Deposit Account No. 09/0465 / ROC920010309US1.

> Respectfully submitted, and S-signed pursuant to 37 CFR 1.4,

/Gero G. McClellan, Reg. No. 44,227/ Gero G. McClellan Registration No. 44,227 PATTERSON & SHERIDAN, L.L.P. 3040 Post Oak Blvd. Suite 1500 Houston, TX 77056 Telephone: (713) 623-4844 Facsimile: (713) 623-4846 Attorney for Applicant(s)

Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box -> [+]

PTO/SB/08a (08-03)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006, OMB 0651-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Ø 004/013

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO	Application Number	10/057,188	
	Filing Date	January 25, 2002	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE	First Named Inventor	Timothy Roy Block	
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT	Group Art Unit	2157	
	Examiner Name	Yves Dalencourt	
(Use as many sheets as necessary)	Attorney Docket Number	ROC920010309US1	
Sheet 1 of 1	Submission Date	April 19, 2006	

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Cite No.'		Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	
	No.	Number-Kind Code ^{2 (Fixnown)}				
	A1	US-5,793,962	08-11-1998	Badovinatz et al.		
	A2	US-5,805,786	09-08-1998	Badovinatz et al.		
	A3	US-5,923,831	07-13-1999	Palmer et al.		
	A4	US-5,999,712	12-07-1999	Molin et al.		
	A5	US-6,104,871	08-15-2000	Badovinatz et al.		
	A6	US-6,952,766	10-04-2005	Dervin et al.		
	A7	US-				
	AB	US-				
-	A9	US-				
	A10	US-				
•	A11	US-				
	A12	US-				

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								
	Cite	Foreign Patent Document Number-Kind Code ^{2 (K krown)}	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T⁵		
	No.1							
	B1							
	B2							
	В3							
	B4							
	B 5							

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not clation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through clation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant: Applicant's unique chation designation number (optional), a See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. a Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). A For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document, skind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible.

Date Considered

Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Exeminer

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 87 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief information officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commission of the chief information of the completing and application and the completing and the form confidence of the Chief of the Chief information of the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.